

## **19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**31<sup>st</sup> July - 7<sup>th</sup> August 2022**

### **Thought for the Week**

There is much in the news these days about workers' rights, their needs and pay increases. It is important to recognise the sanctity of work. Saint Ignatius of Loyola in his spiritual exercises, asks us to imagine ourselves 'labouring' with God and God 'labouring' on our behalf.

We work with God to build a better world. God sees the fruit of our labour, even if others cannot. Think of Joseph, the carpenter who taught Jesus his craft, a man given no lines to say in the New Testament and his life remains almost completely hidden – yet through his silent work he was able to help fashion the instrument most needed for the salvation of the world.

Joseph's work was of supreme importance – even though others may not have seen this at the time. How similar this is to the many millions of people who do hidden work today; spending long hours working to put the children through school, taking on an extra job to save money to care for an elderly parent or relative, or just to survive and put food on the table. Even if their efforts are hidden from others, they are seen by the one whose gaze matters most.

Let us then ask the prayers of Saint Joseph for all those who work hard and are at this time in need of a holiday or break.

I hope that you will have a good and blessed summer, if you are travelling away do so with safety. If you are staying in Windsor enjoy a little quiet in peace.

*Canon David Hopgood*

### **Adoration**

There will be **NO** Adoration during the month of **August**.

### **Confessions**

The sacrament of reconciliation will be available :-  
Saturdays from 11:00 – 11:30 at St Edward's.

### **The Love Languages Evening for Couples**

Come and find out how you feel loved and discover how to make your partner feel loved. This evening is based on the Love Languages by Dr Gary Chapman.

It will be held on Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 from 7:00pm until 9:00pm in the Parish Centre. Admission is free.

Please email Kathy at [kathyarundale@hotmail.com](mailto:kathyarundale@hotmail.com) to register.

### **Mass Times + Intentions 1 – 7 August**

Mon 01	10:00	Private Intention
Tues 02	18:30	John Joe Cooney – RIP
Wed 03	10:00	Kathleen Williams – RIP
Thur 04	10:00	Holy Souls
Fri 05	12:00	Margaret + Michael Lee - FM
Sat 06	18:00	Ted Cummings – RIP
Sun 07	09:30	Lawrence Dyke – RIP
	11:00	John DeCoutho – RIP

### **Parish Diary 2 – 7 August**

Tue 02	18:00	Evening Prayer, Lady Chapel – St Edwards
	19:30	Marriage Prep – P/C
Wed 03	09:30	Morning Prayer, Lady Chapel – St Edwards
Thur 04	09:30	Morning Prayer, Lady Chapel – St Edwards
	13:00	Mass Readings Explained – P/C
Sat 06	14:30	S.V.P. - Jubilee Tea – P/C
Sun 07	12:00	Parish Teas + Coffee
	12:15	Baptism - Fia Cotton + Mateusz Berest

### **Offertory**

SO/DD - £2,058.00 – Envelopes - £ 346.60 Loose - £548.42

### **SVP Afternoon Tea - 6<sup>th</sup> August – 14:30 – 16:30**

Many may know the SVP have been holding a Christmas Day Lunch, but due to Covid many of those guests have been unable to meet for a social, so we have decided on an Afternoon Tea, remembering the Jubilee, at the Parish Centre. If you know of anyone, and couples, who are home alone or in need of company please let us know, with their contact details, by email to Barry Thompson, [presidentb170321@svp.org.uk](mailto:presidentb170321@svp.org.uk) or 07547 514467 (Phone after 1<sup>st</sup> July please). When possible, transport can be provided. More to follow.

### **The Marriage Course**

St Edward's is running the Marriage Course for all married couples and couples in long term relationships. It will be held over seven sessions and it is designed to help couples invest in their relationships and build strong marriages and relationships. It will be held on Zoom. **The dates are Tuesdays, September 13, 20, 27, October 4, 18, 25 and November 1.** There are catchup video sessions if you need to miss a day.

The course is free except for the workbooks. Please contact Kathy on [kathyarundale@hotmail.com](mailto:kathyarundale@hotmail.com) for information or to register for the course. We really hope you would like to come!

**Catholic Windsor - Website [www.catholicwindsor.org](http://www.catholicwindsor.org)**

#### **Parish Office**

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## **Alpha Course**

St Edwards & St. Mark's parish in Windsor is offering the Alpha Course beginning **20th September from 19:00**. After a huge response in 2019, we had to put the programme on hold due to the pandemic, so now we are very excited to be offering Alpha again, in person each week, in the St. Edward's Parish Centre.

Alpha is a 10-week course that explores life's big questions, in an open, non-judgmental and safe place. We'll be discussing questions like: 'Is there more to life than this?' 'Does God exist?' 'Why did Jesus have to die?' and 'Why is there so much suffering in the world?'

Millions of people have already tried Alpha in over 100 countries and languages around the world - **so why not you?** Perhaps you have a friend or family member who has fallen away from the faith during the pandemic, doesn't feel as connected to the church as they once did, or maybe has never truly answered life's big questions for themselves -- please invite them, we'd love to host them too!

To RSVP, please follow this link:

<https://forms.gle/QYmhMUHvz8jk2JBu7>

If you have questions about joining, inviting others, or joining our team of volunteers, please email Ryan Greig at:

[alphawindsor316@gmail.com](mailto:alphawindsor316@gmail.com)

## **Strategy and Stewardship Team**

The leadership team would like to establish a **Strategy and Stewardship Team**. The purpose of this team would be to look at the long-term vision of what we want as a parish community and how we are to deepen our mission as being authentic disciples of Jesus Christ. To do this, we need to look at our community and how we can achieve this vision and build a stronger relationship with Jesus and our faith. The remit of the team will be to look at areas of parish life, ponder on what is good, see what is lacking, and what needs to be established over the next few years. Anne Dowling is going to lead this team of about ten people.

If this is something that you would be interested in or would simply like to find out more, please speak to either Anne [annedowling@fairstar.co.uk](mailto:annedowling@fairstar.co.uk) or Canon David

## **Ride+Stride – Saturday 10th September 2022**

Ride+Stride is the major annual fundraiser for the Berkshire Churches Trust and all support will be doubly valued this year as churches continue to face particularly difficult financial circumstances. Last year's event raised nearly £25,000 which was a fantastic result!

Ride+Stride is a nationwide church-crawl where you can visit as many (or as few) churches as you like on the second Saturday in September between 10am and 6pm. You can walk, run, cycle, ride or drive, following your own route and enjoy visiting some of our county's fabulous churches. Sponsorship forms are available and you can donate via justgiving page:

<https://www.justgiving.com/berkshirechurchestrust>

We have been asked to have the church open all day to allow visitors and also to provide refreshments for anyone who calls.

If you can help please contact the Parish office.

If you have any further queries email [rideandstrideberks@gmail.com](mailto:rideandstrideberks@gmail.com).

## **First Holy Communion Programme – 2022 – 2023**

For those families wishing to enrol their children (who are in year 3 or above) we shall be having a threefold programme, as follows:-

**Step 1:** 'Come and See' (John 1: 39-41)

**For 6 weekends from the 24/25 September to the end of October. The candidate is required to attend weekend Masses with Family members.**

**Step 2:** 'They sat at the feet of Jesus' (Luke 10:38-42)

The Saturday morning sessions start at the beginning of November where the candidates will prepare with their parents for First Reconciliation and Holy Communion.

**Step 3:** 'Jesus Sent them Out' (Luke 10:1)

The Holy Communion Mass will be followed by an invitation to do something for the community and will be introduced to the Mini Vinnies in the parish (Junior SVP).

**To enrol in step 1 please fill in an application form that can be found below.**

**The introduction and the unfolding of the programme will be on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September at 18:30 in the Parish Centre.**

At this meeting of parents, you will receive the 'record card' that need to be stamped when you attend Mass. Further dates will be given at this meeting.

**Please note the cut-off date for applications is 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022**

To apply for registration please download the application form that you will find below. Please fill this in online and email to [Fhc@catholicwindsor.org](mailto:Fhc@catholicwindsor.org)

[http://www.catholicwindsor.org/wp-](http://www.catholicwindsor.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/2022-Electronic-Application-Form-for-FIRST-HOLY-COMMUNION.pdf)

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## **Young Catholic Adults (YCA) Weekend**

Theme: "The Communion of Saints' prayer and the veneration of Holy Relics"

During the weekend of the **7<sup>th</sup>- 9<sup>th</sup> October 2022**, Young Catholic Adults will be running a retreat at Douai Abbey, there will be two talks – Rachael Mackenzie from "Rachael's Vineyard" will be telling her conversion story (Sat) and Fr Glaysher will be talking about the Communion of Saints' prayer and the veneration of Holy Relics (Sun). YCA will be running the weekend with the Schola Gregoriana of Cambridge who will be holding Gregorian Chant workshops. There will also be a Marian Procession, Rosaries, Sung Masses, Confession, talks (and socials). It's possible to stay the whole weekend (full board) or to come for the day (bring a packed lunch). Please note to guarantee your place Douai Abbey have requested that everyone books in 3 weeks before the start of the weekend (16th September 2022).

For more information: <http://youngcatholicadults-latestnews.blogspot.co.uk/> or

<http://www.youngcatholicadults.co.uk>. To book go to

:- <https://bookwhen.com/youngcatholicadults-douai2022>

## **Deceased**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Graham Young who died recently. Details to follow